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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for an extension of (2) TWO months to respond to the OFFICE ACTION mailed on July 22, 2004; because of this extension the time period for response will expire on December 22, 2004. Enclosed is an Amendment.

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